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GCHS students receive foundation scholarships

15 graduates awarded \$2,000 grants at ceremony

By Michael Heil Staff writer

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Fifteen seniors from
Granite City High School each
have been awarded a \$2,000
scholarship by the Granite
City Scholarship Foundation.
The recipients were honored May
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School's recogni-

tion dinner.

"They are well-deserving," said Foundation member Bob Maxwell. "They displayed initative, character and intelligence that the Foundation looks for. They should be proud of their academic accomplishments."

The recipients include:
John Ablers, Jeffrey Ablers.

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The recipients include:
John Ahlers, Jeffrey Ahlers,
Elizabeth Dittman, Nancy
Ellington, Kristin Ely,
Shannon Gergen, Janelle
Hankes, Jacob Kamphoefner,

Julie Mills, Cara Nighohossian, Matthew Reiter, Katie Serrano, Robyn

Slater, Bryan Whited and

Rick Woodward. Selections were based on financial need, ability and the intention to pursue a col-lege education. The

The Foundation has

Foundation has been awarding scholarships to Granite City High School students since 1955, when it offered two \$250 scholarships. Since then, about 775 awards totaling more than a half-million dollars have been offered. Maxwell said strong finan-

cial support from the commu-nity for the past 44 years has enabled the Foundation to continue to offer the

The community has come together. It has taken the initiative to enhance young people's lives by rewarding them for their dedication and academic achievements."

Bob Maxwell

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scholarships. "The community has come togeth-er," Maxwell said. "It has taken the ini-tiative to

ments."
Thirty-six businesses and organizations contributed this year, and more of the business sector offers financial support each year, Maxwell said.

Local reservist aids hurricane victims

Ramirez served in Honduras in relief effort

By Michael Heil Staff writer

Sgt. Eduardo Ramirez. 28, of Pontoon Beach, an Army Reservist, recently returned from Honduras, where he aided victims of Hurricane Mitch. Ramirez was one of 20 people from the St. Louis-based ioth Psychological Operations Battalion who spent two weeks in PONTOON BEACH They took

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PONTOON BEACH They took part in Nuevos Horizontes 99-1 exercises, various engimeering and medical projects to assist hurricane victims. Ramirez was a liaison between residents and the U.S. Embassy.

"My battalion helped complete simple projects and tasks that needed to be done," asid Ramirez, who was the



Sgt. Eduardo Ramirez recently returned from Honduras Sgt. Eduardo Hamirez recently ib battalion leader. "My job was to induce a favorable attitude toward the United States by interacting with the Honduran people." Hurricane Mitch hit the country in December, killing

about 7,000 people. About 1 million residents were driven from their homes, and most highways and bridges were damaged. It was estimated

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Festival remembers **Route 66**

Rain keeps few away from annual event

By Paul Mackie Staff writer

A Pontiac GTO from California, a blue 1965 Ford Mustang and an Andy Griffith-like police car motored through town as the third annual Festival 66 revved up Saturday. Those

were just were just which is a few of the 144 vehicular gems that filled Edwardsville with the sounds of antique mufflers on the event's opening day. Not even the rain kept too many people away, because Edwardsville City Park was jamming by the evening hours with musical stylings for everyone. everyone.

"The afternoon rain was

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Celebration



Madison High School graduated it's class of 1999 on Friday, June 11.

Dunham's 90th birthday celebrated

Renowned dancer, choreographer honored

By Jason White Staff writer

The Metro East will celebrate the 90th birthday of an arts pioneer next week.
Katherine Dunham, the renowned dancer and choreographer, turns 90 on June 22.
Next week, organizers have scheduled several events to celebrate her birthday.

"It's not every day that one reaches the 90th," sail panelle

eaches the 90th," said
Jeanelle
Stovall,
Dunham

Dunham's assistant. "We feel it's an important milestone in the life of someone who's made such a legendary contribution." The main celebration will be at 6 p.m. June 23 at the Katherine Dunham Dynamic Museum, 1005 Pennsylvania Ave., East St. Louis.

Other events include:

A Jazz 2000 Young Lions concert from 6-9 p.m. June 24 at Frank Holten State Park

oreographer honored
An open mike literary
tribute sponsored by the
Eugene B. Redmond Writers
Club at 6 p.m. June 25 at City
Hall, 301 River Park Drive,
East St. Louis.
The Dunham Technique
seminar June 19 to July 4 at
the East St. Louis Community
College Center, 601 James R.
Thompson Blvd., East St.
Louis.
Stovall said this is the first
birthday celebration in East
St. Louis. Dunham's 80th
birthday was celebrated in
Haiti, where she also has a
home.

Haiti, where she also has a home.

"We're trying to do it all in East St. Louis," Stovall said.
"It's our hope there will be various celebrations throughout the year."

Dunham moved to East St. Louis in 1970 and established the Katherine Dunham Center for the Arts and Humanities. The center operates the Dunham Dynamic Museum and the Children's Dance Workshop.



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Students don't outgrow the need for counseling



want a program that addresses their affective and interpersonal needs. This is very troubling. If our best students don't feel they can use the counseling system, what hope does a school have of reaching the kids on the edge."
Students don't outgrow the

need for counseling. In fact, good counselors are absolutely essential in middle schools and high schools where students without a surrogate parent to ground them and reaffirm their value as their elementary school teacher did. Of more competitive relationships, adolescents must win the approval of a vastly larger number of peers and teachers. Competitive relationships, adolescents must win the approval of a vastly larger number of peers and teachers. Competitive counselors are invaluable. An effective counseling program begins at the top. An effective counseling program begins at the top and the primary responsibility to ensure the counseling program does what it should. She or he must recruit a staff that is committed to counseling.

up.
Students should be able to select their own counselors if they wish to do so. And, an attempt should be made to allow each student to have the

same counselor throughout her or his high school years so a trusting relationship has an opportunity to develop in the properturity to know her or him better.

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student back or get to know her or him better.
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should involve parents in the process and follow up to make sure an effective relationship has been established and the therapy is proceeding as it should.

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Counselors should train select students to mentor other students who may be struggling with a sistation. In struggling with a sistation, in should be encouraged to notify a staff counselor of any students who need further support.
Counselor smust be compared to the counselor should be to and open with parents. However, counselors should not share student

Trust is essential and must be earned. Students need to know that warnings about other students who appear troubled will be heard, kept confidential and acted upon in a timely fashion.

When counselors do their job yell, word spreads quickly.

Dennis O'Brien is a licensed clinical social worker, experienced educator and therapist and executive director of Zink the Zebra

Foundation of St. Louis, an organization serving medically fragile children.

Armed intruders ransack Venice home

Four men demand money, drugs; police investigating incident

By Scott Cousins Staff writer

A Venice family received some unexpected company early Sunday morning when four men kicked down their front door and ransacked their home at gunpoint.

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The men were apparently looking previous occupants of the house.

previous occupants of the house.

Was injured in the thook, which happened at about 4:30 a m. Sunday.

According to reports, police responded to the home, in the 1200-block of Oriole, at about 5:10 a.m. after receiving a report about the attack.

According to the victims, four black make armed with semi-automatic handguns

kicked down a door and herded the family into a bedroom, forcing them to lay down on the floor on the floor on the floor on the floor on the reason then ransacked the house, asking where money and drugs where.

After finding nothing, the four left.

Police said the victims were some time, then called the landlord, who called police.

The victims were only able to give a description of one of the suspects — a light-skinned bedroom to the control of the support of drugs and guns — including several assault-style weapons — were found.

No arrests have been made in that case, which has been turned over to federal authorfless and turned over to federal authorfless and the season of the house of the season of the house of

talked. She then went to visit a friend, then came back to the suspect's home.

She told police she had agreed to have sex with the suspect, but changed her mind when people started knocking on the door. The suspect allegedly forced her to have sex with him, then tried to the money of the m

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BATTERY; Josephine Lewis, 42, of 314 East 24th St., Granite City, as charged Monday with battery. Lewis, a police report stated, unched a woman who made savuil remarks toward her husband. The notident occurred about 454 a.m. saturday at a bar in the 1600 of Madison.

incluent occurred about 4:54 a.m. Saturday at a bar in the 1600 of Madison.

Hollday, 21, of 2809 Harvard was charged Monday with reckless conductions of the conduction of the con

Sheriff's Department

BURGLARY: A resident of the 100 block of San Juan Drive in Edwardsville reported that some some properties of the s

not reported.

A resident of the 4700 block of Warnock in Granite City reported that sometime between 7:15 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. June 10, someone took a payroll check for approximately \$500 and a checkbook from the glove compartment of her car.

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Red Cross blood platelet donor glad to help others

Fitzgerald: It's a great feeling saving lives

Tom Fitzgerald doesn't want thanks or recognition. RED CROSS He just hopes his

blood platelet donations help others.

Fitzgerald, 65, of St. Louis, has donated more than 300 units of blood to the American Red Cross in his lifetime. He also makes platelet donations every two weeks.

platelet donations every two
weeks.
"People ask me why I am
a donor," Fitzgerald said. "I
tell them this story:
"Several years ago, St.
John's Mercy (Medical
Center) called me and asked
if I could come right out. I
was a perfect match folly ill.
"Year the several contents of the several come platelets, and they
asked me to come back in
two days," he said.
The hospital called the
next day and told Fitzgerald
not to come.
"Of course, I thought the

next day and told Fitzgerald not to come.
"Of course, I thought the worst," he said. "But then they told me that the man had gotten better and have you have helped somenow; it's all the reason you need."

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4 Twas a perfect match for someone who was really ill. I went (to St. John's Mercy Medical Center and) donated some platelets...they told me that hie man had gotten better and had gone home. When you know you have helped someone, it's all the reason you need.

Tom Fitzgerald Blood platelet donor

Blood is made up of four components: platelets, plasma, and red and white blood cells. "Platelets are the sticky part of your blood," said Robyne O'Mara, manager of area American Red Cross donor centers. "They are necessary to control bleeding."

necessary to control bleeding. The bleeding abone marrow transplant, surgery, chemotherapy, radiation treatment or organizansplant need donated platelets in order to survive, transfusion, life-threatening hemorrhages could result, O'Mara said. "There is a big demand for the survive and the survive and

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i om Fitzgerald Blood platelet donor there is never enough."
O'Mara said one problem is that platelets have a "short shelf life" and must be transfused within five days of donated the platelets can be donated every other week because the body replenishes them so quickly, she said. In many cases, O'Mara said be a specific match in a platelet donation.
Platelets are donated using a process called apheresis, in which who components, the platelets are removed and then the other components are trained by our body. The entire process, to a surface to a nurse to assemble a thorough health history, takes about two hours. When the proper components are the platelets are removed and then the conting the thin the platelets are removed and then the other components are to have proved and then the other components are the proport of the platelets are removed and then the other components are the proper components. The platelets are the proper components are got the platelets are removed and then the other platelets are the platelets ar

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Ho married the form Elsie
survives, Nevember 9, 1953. She
survives.

She married Richard "Dick" Taff on Feb. 11, 1942. He died May 23, 188, 25 mly lors include a daughter. Joyce Taft of Granie City a son, David Taff of St. Louis; two sisters, Norma Kramer of Collinsville and Georgia McDonald of grandchildren, Heather Williams, Holly Taff and Sean Taff, all of St. Louis. She also was preceded in death

Other aurvivors include one son, Gary Mouser of Granite City; one daughter, Sharon Morris of St. Louis; four grandchildren, Keily, Theresa, Phillip and Jennifer, three broth-sa, Phillip and Jennifer, three broth-same control of the state o

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Olin executive ordered to testify in ongoing Colorado murder trial

East Alton company feared revealing trade secrets

By Dennis Grubaugh Staff writer

An Olin Corp. executive will be winging his way to Colorado — against his will — to testify for both the prosecution and defense in a triple homicide trial.

MADISON Thursday, a Madison circuit judge ordered Winchester Division senior engineer Paul Szabo to appear in Douglas County District Court in Castle Rock, Colo., to testify regarding bullets used

in the killings of three people in January 1998.

A range of .380-caliber Winchester bullets were found in a trailer once belonging to the parents of the murch and are believed similar to those found at the homicide scene in Lone Tree, Colo.

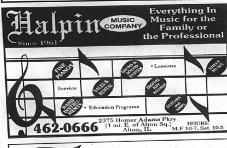
Olin produces the ammunition at its plants in Doworks. The company has been fighting Szabo's involvement in the case because of concerns about trade secrets that might come out at trial, court of shooting four people in his in-laws' duplex in Lone Tree. His wife, mother-in-law are duplex in Lone Tree. His wife, mother-in-law are duplex in Lone Tree. His wife, mother-in-law are duplex in Lone Tree. Randall Bono, chief associate judge in Madison County, on Thursday ordered Szabo to testify at the request

of Michael Heher, a deputy state public defender representing Garner. The court order indicates Szabo is supposed to be in court two days, but the sa to when exactly he would have to take the stand because both the prosecution and defense have subpoenaed him, and the prosecution's case is under way.

have subpoenaed him, and the prosecution's case is under way.

Olin has balked at letting Scabo cooperate in the defense case. At least three court orders have been proposed in the subsequence of the sub







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ki of Fenton, Mitchell, both of Gran-and Tammy Mitchell, both of Gran-tte City.

Services preceded in death by his father, Gene Cloninger; and his grandfather, Paul Lacey.

Services were held Tuesday, June 15, at Werner Chapel, with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Cemetery. Edwardsviller.

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eed some suggestions on how to keep busy during the month of June? As always, we're happy to oblige. Just in case you find some spart case you find some spart weedings, here are a few ways to wile away the hours in the garden.

TEMPSTA?

If your patio is made up of individual blocks, of individual blocks, remove one or two, replace them with good topsoil and plant a flower or veggie. It's a unique accent, provided it's not located in an area where it will be in the way and get stepped on.

Harvest herbs while tops are fresh and green, prior to bloom. If roots or seeds are the desired portion, wait until they have fully developed. Dry herbs in the shade for best oil retention.

Inspect your vegetable garden for insects on a regular basis so you can treat them before the problem gets bigger. Don't forget to look under leaves

Spring flowering shrubs and trees should have been pruned already. If not, don't try to do it now. Any further pruning may remove next year's flowers, which are forming at this time.

If you put some houseplants outside, don't neglect them. Continue to water and keep them well groomed.

When pruning roses for faded or cut flowers, you should start at the flower and move down the stem to the second 5-leaflet leaf. Make cut just above it. This will produce a stronger new growth. Follow this same procedure when removing faded roses from the bush. When pruning roses for

Container-grown annuals require extra attention when watering. Due to the confined root area, they tend to dry rapidly and should be checked frequently. Water containers thoroughly, until water seeps out the drainage holes.

A round, brown sunken area on the bottom of tomatoes may be blossomend rot. To prevent this, keep soil uniformly moist around the plants. Try

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mulching plants to keep moisture levels constant. While on the subject of the most of your garden space by training tomato to grow up on a stake or i a tomato cage. The fruit will be cleaner, too.

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Hummingbirds are attracted to red, orange or pink tubular flowers. Plant petunias, phlox or lilies to bring them to your yard.

transplants, an application of granular fertilizer such as 5-10-5 should be worked into the soil. When planting transplants, an a

If you have grass and/or weeds pecking up from the cracks or drive in the sidewalk, do away with 'em by using a non-selective weed and grass killer. Be careful when using it, however, since it will kill anything it contacts.

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Survey says today's dads spending more time with kids

Although today's Dads are spending more time with their children than ever before, more time to their families. Unfortunately, job demands kep them too busy. According to the Wild Turkey Bourbon "Nesting" survey, more than 67 percent

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of fathers feel they spend more time with their children than their Dads spent with them, but an additional 78 percent wish they had even more time to give to their children. Unfortunately, job demands are the main reason many fathers cannot fuln dissish. The survey weiled Dads from across the country on

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their attitudes toward child rearning. The control of athers aurveyed say they share child-rearing responsibilities equally with their wives, but a similar number sheepishly admitted that their wives do most of the work when it comes to raising the kids," said Lynda.

Fitzgerald of Wild Turkey
Bourbon. More than 88 percent
of those surveyed are
currently married.
Today's Dad also takes a
keen interest in their child's
percent say they take time to
help their kids with homework
and 80 percent say they are
actively involved in their
child's school active that all
work and no play do not make
for fond memories. Many said
their favorite memories of

around "just spending time with Dad." The majority felt that their challenges are the second to the second second second the second second second second up. However, among the top five activities Dads most enjoy with their kids are: 1. Playing or watching sports 2. Eajoying the great of second s

outdoors (camping, hiking and fishing)
3. Going to the movies
4. Playing games (board, video or computer)
5. Taking trips and vacations
What do Dads think their

Most believe it is their sense of humor. Others feel their kids appreciate the time the discovered by the control of the contr

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The Big Picture

All that glitters is not gold

If it seems to be too good to be true, it probably is. Yet thousands get 'taken' in con schemes each year. With a little common sense, you can protect yourself.

When Lakesha Dozier and r grandmother, Theola kes, signed a contract for pairs to the home they share Washington Park, they yeer thought that they had gen conned.

an Washington Park, they had been conned.

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to reach him.

The problem of scams, frauds and cons has recently been acknowledged by Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White who released a list of the top ten scams that are being combated. The U.S. Congress is considering a bill to protect the public, particularly senior citizens, against telemarketing fraud and fraud over the Internet.

enzens, against teelman ecungina in a statistics released by congress, teelmanketing fraud costs consumers nearly 340 bit-hon each year. Nearly 140 pereent of the 140,000 telemarketing firms in the U.S. engage in fraud. Fraudulent telemar Exters compile "mooch list" of the names of engage in a consistency of the names of the same of the persons, 56 percent of the names on these "mooch list" of the names on these "mooch list" old in the persons, 56 percent of the names on these "mooch list" old in the persons of the persons of

warn those whose names appear on confiscated "mooch lists."

A bill currently in the U.S. Congress, the "Protection Against Scams on Seniors Act," is designed to help educate seniors about the dangers of telemarketing fraud and to help law enforcement with the envestigation and prosecution of fraudulent telemarketers.

Tom Grice, abuse, neglect and export supervisor with the Southwestern Illinois Visiting stress Association in ers by people over age 60

year. And that is just the people come forward." Grice

Fraudulent telemarketers ork to the confidence of their needed victims. In many asses involving the elderly, cammers will spend hours on the telephone with their vicins, apparently befriending is gaining information hey can use to get to the vicins' money, Grice said.

"The victims have often lost loved one and are lonely,"

a loved one Grice said.

The fraudulent telemarbeters are determined and keters are determined and patient. Rather than hang up and risk losing the ploy, they will wait for the victims to use the restroom or even fix din-ner, telling them to just lay down the receiver and return when they are finished, Grice

when they are initially as aid.

In one case Grice investigated, telemarketers got the victim to send a money order. They gave the victim explicit instructions on how to pur-

entry fee, it is probably not legitimate, Grice said. As with the Doziers, the elderly in the Metro East are often targeted for driveway paving, window replacement and roofing scams.

Like the baseling spacement state of the scam artists usually approach the state of the scam artists usually approach the state of the scam artists usually approach the scam artists of the scam artists of the scam artists of the scam artists are scamped to the scamped the

that they or someone they know has been the victim of a scam or has been approached by a con artist, contact local law enforcement immediately. There are many other cons, frauds and scams to look out for. Here are a few examples of other popular ones:

The Phony Bank Examiner — This scam alming to be a bank examiner or police officer calls a bank customer. The victim is asked to help uncover a suspected crime at their bank, such as a teller embezzling money.

calls a bank customer. The victim is asked to help uncover a suspected crime at their bank, such as a teller emberzing monoce cases, the victim is told to call 911 to verify the caller's identity, but the swindler, not the police, picks up the call. This is done by the con artist not disconnecting from the call or by tapping into the phone service.

The victim is of the control of the caller and told the money needs to be withdrawn so an "investigator" can mark the bills and use them to catch the dishonest bank employee. The victim is instructed not to discuss the transaction with a customer of the customer of the customer of the victim is instructed not to discuss the transaction with a customer of the custo

cash will be divided among the finders.

The catch: the bank will require a \$1,000 deposit. The two suspects convince the vicinit to provide the money and accompany the victim to withdraw the cash. Then they go to a bank where either suspect claims to know an employee.

One criminal enters the bank, pretending to deposit the cash, while the other stays in the car with the victim. When the suspect returns to the car, a problem has arisen and the victim is encouraged to go talk to the manager, both criminals drive away with all of the money.

Here's how to identify and protect yourself from fraud

Watch out for these warning signs

No one wants to be the vic-tim of fraud, but how do you identify possible fraudulent activity?

If you see you want you want you want you want you watch for so a con artist does not take you.

It is probably a scam if:

You get a personal phone call or mail saying that you have won a prize, and in return saying you must buy something, pay for processing, an administrative fee, customs, taxes or for something else. Legitimate sweepstakes and contest do not ask for payment, because it is illegal.

The person says it is a limited offer and you must act immediately or you will miss

ment, because it is illegal.

The person says it is a limited offer and you must act immediately or you will miss the opportunity. Legitimate companies and without time to look into the deal.

The caller refuses to send you written information before you commit to anything. A legitimate company should be happy to send you information about what it is offering.

There are claims of huge profits in an investment with no risk. All investments are risky and companies must ellocate the profits of the

You are told to send your payment by a money wire or private courier. Legitimate companies do not try to keep people from checking out the

deal or backing out by avoid-ing the postal authorities and demanding immediate pay-

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The company asks for cashonly, This makes it hard to trace the con artist.

You are asked for you social security number. No Company needs your social security number, unless you are applying for credit and they need to check you credit report.

are applying for credit and they need to check you credit report.

You are asked for you credit card number, bank account number or other financial information, when you are not buying anything or are paying by a different method. A company only needs your financial information to bill you or debit the account you are making your purchase with.

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When in doubt contact you local law enforcement agency for assistance before making any decision.

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chase a money order at their bank. While the victim was making the transaction, the telemarketer waited on the telemarketer waited on the telephone. When the victim returned, the telemarketer arranged for Federal Express to pick up the documentes and nanothes worthing large quantities of checks to a telemarketer who was impersonating one of her favorite television stars. At the peak of the scam, the victim wrote 205 checks in a single month, "She was receiving nearly a large box full of mail a week," Grice said, with most being sweepstake or other contest entries.

Contests can be another source of fraud. If a sweepstakes or contest requires an

If the deal sounds too good to be true then it probably is, Newgent said. Grice said with these cons money is sought up front, and poor labor and inferior supplies are used if any work is done at all.

There are many variations are being created all the time, teet against these schemes to take time donation at the said the service of the service services are not provided in the services of the services are not provided in the services of the

decision.

Don't worry about being skeptical. Researching a company or performing a background check isn't an act of mistrust but good business sense. If a consumer fears

Festival 66 celebrates America's Highway

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not too much of a problem
because we had many more
ents than we've had in the
past," said Bill Hurteau, chief
executive officer of the
Edwardsville/Glen Carbon
(Chamber of Commerce "'(The
crowagh"
"This is hometown America,
and that's what we're all
about," Hurteau said.
After the antique and muscle
from Edwardsville Midel
School to Steak 'N Shake on
Troy Road, 17 local artists
began the evening by
competing in a talent contest
and pleasing the growing
Kristen Williams, 8, of Wood

and pleasing the growing crowd.

Kristen Williams, 8, 6' Wood River, belted out "He's Soo Fine;" Liz Ahrens and Diomes Rewsome of Edwardsville sang an one: "The Prince of Egypt;" and Lexi Hotz, a senior at Edwardsville High School, went highbrow with an opera performance.

Although winners were not announced by merines and the "the prince of the prin

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She said this was the first year Madison County has had year Madison County has had seen to be seen

his recently released book,

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the book tells where they are. We had people ask us what took so long (before a book was written about the long-time inhabitants of Route 66)." Route 66's nickname. "The Mother Road." was coined by John Steinbech in his class." The road also is called America's Main Street and the Dust Bowl Highway and was even a title of a popular early 1960s television series, "Route 66.".

For those who prefer exer

of the series, "Route 16" of those who prefer exercise over reading, the wheels turned for about 100 bicyclists on the the series over reading, the wheels turned for about 100 bicyclists on the the series over for series over series over series over series was up from about 80 last year.

"We had a rider come into our shop after the ride," said sponsor the ride along with her husband, Randy, "He felt everyone was friendly and he talked to a lot of unknown riders. That is what's nice along the series of the series o

Local Army Reservist helps relief efforts

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that 70 percent of the country's banana crop was destroyed

country's banana crop was destroyed.

More than 3,000 National Guard and Army Reservists the control of the control of the January, building schools and clinics and assisting with humanitarian acts. Ramirez said that the people were grateful to him and were happy to see the United States' military

open arms," Ramirez said
"They did not show any

Ramirez, who attends Southern Lilnois So

appreciate it," said Ramirez, who returned home June Sychological Operations Battalion is part Affairs and Psychological Operations Command and the U.S. Army Special Operations Command. Its headquarters and that of its tall Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis County.

The battalion provides special operational forces to support tactical operations for the U.S. Southern Command in Central and South America.

Famous Faces blood drive set June 27

The American Red Cross will hold its third annual Fances/Famous Places Family Blood Drive from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. June at the place of the second of the second of the event will feature many activities for families, including visits and photo opportunities with "famous faces" such as Fredburd and

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Ronald McDonald. Costumed performers from the Muny's upcoming "Meet Me in St. Louis" production will be on hand, as will several KMOX-AM (1120) radio

RMOX-AM (120) radio personalities. Each presenting blood donor will receive a voucher redeemable for admission to one of this year's Muny productions, a

commemorative T-shirt and a family fun goodie bag. Children will be treated to hands-on activities. The blood drive is encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome. Donors can make appointments for the blood drive by calling (800) 583-2800 or by walting the Red Cross web site.



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destined for a much higher finish.
"She was in with a final round 72 and Arizona was 5-beer (par) as a team when said Jim Gomric, Jill's father.
Duke won the event with a team score of 895 while Arizona State and Georgia thed for second at 993 and Arizona was third at 994.

"Duke still had all of its players on the course, and artrona was third at 904.

"Duke still had all of its players on the course, and the course, and the still had all of its players on the course, and the tourney was stopped." The elder Gomrie said. "Had they resumed, it was apparant that either Arizona same was the course," Jill Gomrie's final-round 72 despite 35-mile-per-hour wind gusts would have many the course of the course of the course, and the course of the course

Chesterfield, Mo., in July.
"Her college coach (Todd
McCorkle) thinks she is
more than capable of
eventually playing on the
pro tour," Jim Gomric said.
"He likes her compact
competitive nature."
While the Sagarin
competer score ranking had
her at 73.7 this spring, she
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Wood burns for call to 'The Show'

Granite City High grad kept Billikens fired up as leader, offensive spark

By Rick Broome Staff writer

Staft Writer
Saint Louis University
outfielder Jason Wood sat
patiently
Thursday
and
Friday, Friday, waiting for the phone to ring with the news that he had be drafted by a Major League

team.
The call never came.
No problem, said the
Billikens senior slugger

"A scout I spoke to said he was as surprised as I was that I didn't get drafted." Wood said. "The guy I have working for me is trying to get me signed as a free agent. So the fact that I didn't get drafted isn't a big deal — yet."

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The Granite City grad's
(Class of 1995) transition from
high school to college ball four
challenging as advertised. But
by his sentor season, Wood had
dusted the cobwebs from the
bat rack and came out
swinging.
Wood hit .362 and had the

second-highest single-season totals in hits (80) and triples (6) in school history. His 25 stolen bases was the fourth-highest in SLU history and came after he started the season with 21 straight steals.

"Jason was probably our most consistent hitter," SLU coach Bob Het bes said. "He contributed at the day, much often he got on base. He was very disciplined at the plate, drew a lot of walks. His average speaks for itself. He was also very sound defensively."

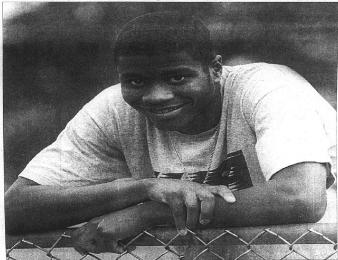
Wood said, "It was difficult coming in And I'm kind of a late bloomer anyway, Guys throw 80-82 miles per hour in high school and get outs. In college, they are hitting 90-92 miles per hour and have good off-speed stuff. Plus you have to Juggle a much harder school stuff. Plus you have to Juggle a much harder school stuff. Plus you have to you have to have the second of the property of the second property of th



Saint Louis University outfielder Jason Wood hit .362 and posted 80 hits, 6 triples and 25 stolen bases in his senior year.

that we really needed."
Hughes said. "We had 23
freshmen and sophomores, and
there was not a lot of
upper-class leadership, so

Jason provided a lot of that for us. He also excelled in the classroom and was a member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Board. So he contributed to the



Belleville East senior Quincy Jackson placed second in the high jump at the IHSA Class AA state meet and helped the Lancers 4x100 relay team place seventh. He also competed in the long jump at state competition and set school records in both jumping events.

Jackson jumps to state honors

Belleville East senior placed second in high jump in Class AA

By Scott Marion Staff writer

Quincy Jackson saved his best for last.

The Belleville East senior capped

ALL-JOURNAL capped his high school track and

BOYS TRACK

Gold career with a sechool field career with a second-place finish in the high jump at the IHSA Class AA state meet May 29 at 0'Brien Stadium in Charleston.

Jackson was also part of the Lancers' 4x400 relay team which placed seventh. Been selected the boys track athlete of the year for Journal Newspapers of Southern Illinois — had placed first in the high jump at the Belleville West Sectional on May 21 at Belleville East. He also long jump and the 4x100 relay. "Guincy placed fourth in the long jump as a junior," Belleville East coach Jim Loyet said. "He was a little disappointed he didn't make the finals this year, but the long jump kind of made up for

it.

"He really improved throughout the season which is the control of the went of the the control of the went of the control of the went of the went

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Jackson jumps to state honors

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"He's a gamer and he's a pretty good competitor. He'll rise to the occasion and do whatever it takes to win." Jackson was pleased with his state meet performance but he was surprised that he placed in the high jump and didn't make the finals in the long

"I thought I would win the long jump because I had jumped over 23 (feet) the last couple meets," Jackson said. "I only jumped 21-74 at state. I didn't hit the board and I jump, I was two feet behind the board.

"I didn't think I would end up finishing second in the high implementation of the high implementation

is not good for me.

"I though it would take 6-10 to get first or second place (in the high jump) but it wasn't a great was found by Leotis Simmons, Jarel Hutchinson and Jermaine Jones on the 4x400 relay team, whose school-record time of 3:21.5 was nearly three seconds faster than the old record faster than the old record of the track team until I was a sophomore." Jackson said. "I was talked into it by a friend of mine who ended up quitting, but I decided to stick with it. I didn't expect to do much. It was just something to do." Jackson now plans to run to

was just something to do."
Jackson now plans to run to
track in college.
The college of liminois State,
Indiana State, Eastern
(Illinois) and a college in
Dubuque (Iowa)." Jackson
said. "I want to major in
psychology and Illinois State
has a psychology professor
who also works with the track
team.

team "(East assistant) coach Mike McGinnis helped me a lot, but basically everybody on the team helped me. The 4x400 team waveal close. We ran more in practice than anybody else and that helped us build a bond."

Long jump — Avery Byrd, senior, O'Fation; Carlos Leonard, junior, Edwardsville, Marcus Stewart, East St. Louis.
High jump — Ouliney Jackson, senior, Belleville East; Andy Diecker, Junior, Denter McCottrell, senior, East St. Louis.
Triple jump — Carlos Leonard, junior, Edwardsville; Ernest Tilliman, junior, Edwardsville; Ernest Tilliman, junior, O'Fation; Damien McCottrell, senior, East St. Louis.
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Dotts, Antwan Jones, Tyron Ward and Mike Levis).
a, 200 — Scott Hurres, freshman, Carlos — Scott Hurres, freshman, Carlos — Carl

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800 relay — East St. Louis (Michael Nicholson, George Mumphard, Arnold Neely and Herchel Hollingworth).
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Cahokia.
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200 — George Mumphard, senior,
East St. Louis.

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Long jump — Darwin Jones, East St. Louis; Greg Haas, Freeburg. Pole vault — Brandon Schaake,

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O'Fallon; Dustin Doyle, Collinsville;
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to do the same thing this summer. I just hope he's back fully healthy soon. So the sound was a soft-spoken kid, but that's OK. As long as he goes out and plays, he'll be fine. He's good to have in the dugout. "He does well at the plate," Gus Lignoul said. "He does well at the plate," Gus Lignoul said. "He hit so He has a lot of sit was the sound was

"It was much better than last year for me," Mayes said. "I'm hoping I improve again this coming year. I need to work more on little things. Just taking some ground balls, working on my range. I need to start lifting need next year to be a good year for me. Hopefully I don't have to go through any injuries."

Wood waiting for call from MLB team

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University."
Wood had his own demand for the season — make up for a disappointing junior campaign.
"I didn't have a good season last year." Wood said. "My garney was a good season last year." Wood said. "My garney was a land to he offseason, I followed the Seattle Mariners workout plan. I did a lot of weightlifting and ran a lot. I increased my speed. My time in the 60 went down from 6 as was almost unheard of for it was a lands to the season was almost unheard of for it was a limest unheard of for it was a limest unheard of for it was almost unheard of the game. "I also worked hard on the mental aspects of the game. One day you can go 6-5, and I's about being able to turn the page and learn that memory is bad in baseball." Armed with one degree. Wood is determined to fill the other holster and come out memory is bad in baseball." Wood is determined to fill the other holster and come out bazing.

"I've applied at St. Thomas University in Miami," Wood said. "I want to become an agent, and I have a job set up with an agency but I was management first. But that's only if baseball doesn't work out."

Whether or not Wood makes it to "The Show," baseball has

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6 6 On any given day, much of our success was based around how he did that day, how often he got on base."

Bob Hughes SLU coach

paid off. As he stands on the potential threshold of life after athletics, Wood realizes the importance of self-motivation. "The biggest thing probably was learning to give it cause before you know it, it's the end," Wood said. "You have to give the most effort possible because when it's over, you want to know that you gave His coach said that mission has been accomplished. "He was as hard a worker as I have ever had." Hughes to caching his goals. On game days, Jason would be over hitting balls in our indoor cages. He hit the weight room religiously. He led by example. "Coincidence that he did that well when he worked that hard. He has a great deal of intensity and heart. By the end of the game, you knew that he had given you everything he had."

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Gomric is standout for Arizona golf team

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tournament at Vero Beach, Fla. Playing against Arizona State, Duke and other national powers in a match-play competition that also had team scores, Jill sank a 25-foot putt on the final hole to clinch the

Will Gomric be part of a national championship team next spring? Arizona loses just one senior (Jeanna Daniels, who finished seventh at Tulsa).

My hope is that Jill not only leads Arizona to that title but drives herself into the national professional spotlight, where her class will be a most welcome addition.

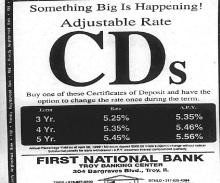
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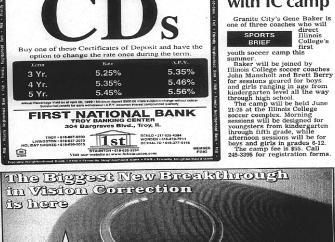
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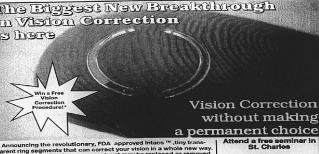
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Several Warriors net all-conference mention

Three named to first team

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The Granite City girls soccer team saw its Southwestern Conference dom-inance

SOGCER dominance usurped by Belleville East in 1999.

The Warriors finished the conference season in third place with a record of 3-2, losing in the sectional semifinals to the SWC-champ Lancers.

semifinals to the SWC-champ Lancers.
But the middle-of-the-pack standing didn't interrupt the strong tradition of Warriors named to the all-conference team.

team. Senior captain Melissa Montgomery made the first team and is off to join her sister, Michelle, on the Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville women's soccer squad.

Edwardsville women's soccer squad.

"She is in the National Honor Society, she is a very good student," Granite City coach Gene Baker said. "She also has a very good student," Granite City sense of humor. That was such a good part of our team. Inherently, she knows when to laugh and when to work. Those things come naturally to her. She had been so the said the other players really respected her." Keri Oulsey also made the first team. The sophomore used her second season as a stuging ground for things to "She had such a great".

used her second season as a staging ground for things to commission and such a great freshman year." Baker said. "Last year, she was just the quintessential freshman from the standpoint of incredible work ethic. When there is not the year, she has come back with more strength for sure, much more. She is what we try to get in girls soccur, "To say that her skills are underrated is a gross underrated is a gross can mark in all areas of the field and move with the play. We can tell her to do something, and she does it. That's the big thing that we are into — work, listen, do. She is just a well-conditioned,

Senior Melissa Montgomery, who made the all-SWC first team, will continue her soccer career at SIUE.

nifst team, will continue her hard-working, skilled player. I am really proud of what she has done the past to be the state of the state of the state of the state of the Senior Debra Aaron made the second team. She will attend Lewis & Clark to play both soccer and basketball on a scholarship.

is very athletic and her attitude was good this year."

The backfield pairing of sophomore Jessica Vasiloff (first team) and freshman Erin Tyler (second team) were also cited for their stringent defense.

"It says something about the

6 6 Inherently, she knows when to laugh and when to work. Those things come naturally to her.

GCHS coach Gene Baker On Melissa Montgomery

"Debra has got the height and she has a good shot, not only with the head but with a strong right foot," Baker said. "She is a really good athlete. She underplays her own abilities with the ball, but she

future of the program, in that we have now another freshman and sophomore making first-and second-team all-conference." Baker said. "Our backfield is going to be super stable next year. Both of

those two have good size, and their read on the game is so good. They are a pleasure to be around within the framework of the team because both of them are such ladylike, unassuming, yet very competitive athletes.

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"Both of them have shared much more of the success in the program than people would realize at first glance. They are both really such quiet, unassuming kids, but they have really been a joy to work with, because them and the program, but it shows what it will be like down the road."

Junior midfielder Natalie Judge joined her teammates on the second team. "She is a good her teammates on the rimportance within the team." Baker said. "She has depending upon our needs, but I think she has that kind of ability. She's smart, I has he is collected and has a lot of Skill."

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Goalkeeper Chelsea Peery also made honorable mention for the Warriors, who look to return next year with the young core of their team intact.

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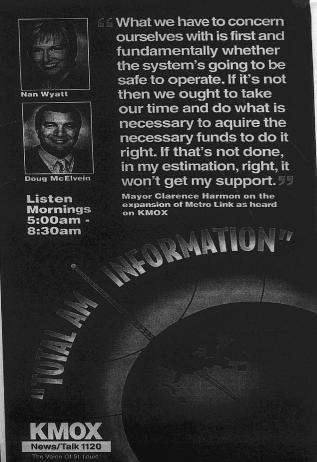
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Balcer helping Warriors program launch turnaround

Sophomore makes all-conference first team, senior Knowlton named to honorable mention list

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The Granite City tennis program is attempting to rebuild itself after a few

successive seasons of mediocrity. mediocrity.
Sophomore Andy Balcer has emerged as the key. The crafty southpaw was named to the all-Southwestern
Conference first team.
"I like to think that I have a good all-around game," Balcer said. "I don't have any huge weapons, and that kind of goes

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against me, but my opponents can't really focus on one part of my game because it's all pretty decent.

"The biggest part of my game, I would like to think, is the mental part of it. Tennis is a becreat what you can actually do physically. I would like to think that I have come a lot farther in my mental game as far as strategy and not getting frustrated when you hit two or think that is the biggest part of my game. I'm able to keep my head on straight a lot more than I was last year, and I think that's why I lost so much

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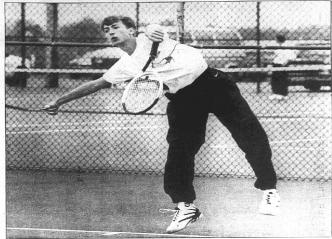
as a freshman."
Granite City coach Allen
Lobdell was pleased with
Balcer's performance.
"If I had to give him a
grade, Andy, in his sophomore
year, would get a B-plus,"
Lobdell said. "He defeated year, would get a B-plus,"
Lobdell said. "He defeated almost every opponent that he had lost to last year, and played very well. When he did lose to an opponent, the second time he got a chance to see the defeated seemed to improve and do a little bit better. So we were pleased with Andy's performance."

Balcer, a virtual whippersnaper halch-in and match-out for the rest of his young team.

Gam't have any huge weapons, and that kind of goes against me, but my opponents can't really focus on one part of my game because it's all pretty decent."

Andy Balcer GCHS tennis player

"It's important as the No. 1 (singles player) first of all to set a good example for the state of the set of t



Tim Stephenson photo Despite only being a sophomore, Granite City's Andy Balcer played at the No. 1 slot for the Warriors and provided the squad with some leadership.

do that this year."

Tim Knowlton, meanwhile, made the all-conference honorable mention team. Though he won't be around to senior's strong athletic gifts made up for some growing pains and helped his team progress.

"We had Tim Knowlton at the No. 3 singles position," Leems to be a typical season for Tim Knowlton. He would play one day and seem to be fine. His strokes are fine, his temperament is fine and to be seniored to the strong and the strokes are fine, his temperament is and the single season bear to be fine. His strokes are fine, his temperament is awful and he would suffer a loss that maybe he shouldn't have.

"Timmy still has to work on that part of his game. I'm just sorry that he can't do it with us next year because as soon as he takes care of that, he is going to be a fine tennis player."

All-Southwestern Conference

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Andy Balcer, Granite City,
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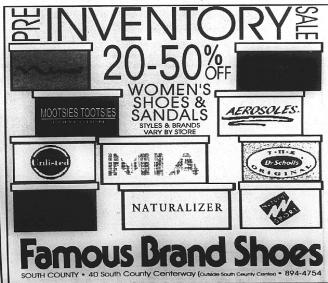
Brian Motzel, senior, Collinsville, Andy Renner, sophomore, Matt Renner, Junior, Belleville West; Chris Rakers, Junior, Belleville East; Chris Cottone, Edwardsville; Chris Paten Winslow, Junior, Belleville East; Chris Cottone, Edwardsville; Ben Meyers, senior, Edwardsville; Kyle Aufabaugh, Junior, Alton: Duniel Lipe, Freshman, Edwardsville.

Honorable mention
Tim Knowlton, senior, Granite
City;
Marty Jacobs, junior, Alton;









Horoscope

Wednesday, June 16
TODAY'S BIRTIDAY: The
Year ahead could bring you
greater access to contacts who
ambitious aims. In the process, several new friendships
will be developed.
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Happier circumstances and an
social life should be on the rise
today helping to make yesterday's problems a dim memoTyntil Bills April 20-Min 20Tyntil Bills April 20Tyntil Bills

today helping to make yesterday's problems a dim memoryAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Even though you might not be
totally in accord with a family
member's views or position,
stand by him or her against
outside opposition. Your support will forge bonds of love.
Forget about political or philosophical differences and have
fun with your friends today
Keep all topics light and
briegs neglect the first time.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Because your family is so special, invite someone who is
away from home over to your
purpose of the first time.
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who can help shape your future.

WRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) In reward for looking out for the welfare of someone who has been having a difficult time fending for him or herself, large dividends could be in the offing for you today from a LIBHA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Someone who has excellent connections might invite you to jon his or her plans for the some good contacts, some sood contacts, some sood contacts, so the process.

SCORP10 (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Through an undisclosed source who has your best interest at heart, your chances for fulfilling an ambitus object fulfilling and the source of the source o

who the benefactor was later. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A meeting of the minds with someone who has been in opposition to your plans will be responsible for the success you will garner today. Be open-minded.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.
19) If you have something profitable on the back burner, give it priority attention today. Your greatest gains are likely to come from somewhere other than your usual sources.

han your usual sources.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)
Even though you might initially have misgivings about going along with the will of the majority today, relax and enjoy yourself with them. It'll turn out to be a great day.

turn out to be a great day.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
Recognizing the true value of your talents and abilities will put you in a better bargaining position today. Those who need your services will be willing to pay what they're worth.

Movie Schedule

Film timetable for Mednesday, June 16.. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

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My Favorite Martain (PG)
7:15, 9:25
Forces Of Nature (PG-13)
7:05, 9:20
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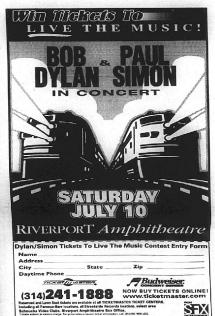
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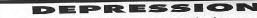


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Occupational therapy helps elderly health and happiness

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Thanks to a study being
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occupational therapist created
a practice step for her at
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bus, she was on the threshold
of a whole world of
opportunity." says Florence
Clark, lead author of the
study.

Clark, lead author of the study.

The research shows preventive occupational therapy that teaches clerity activities improves their physical and mental health and helps them live independently.

Clark, chairman of USC's Department of Occupational Science and Occupational

Therapy, presented her results at the American Medical Association's Science Writers Conference in Washington. The study also appeared in a recent issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association.

the American Association.

Association the study suggests that in an age of medical cost-cutting, occupational therapy could provide savings by delaying reliance on expensive nursing home care. "Healthy and independent is less expensive than sick and dependent," she said.

Occupational therapists traditionally help people with illness, injury or other impairments regain skills to lead a healthy, productive life. In the USC study, they sought to help seniors develop routines that balance work, rest, recreation and social life.

Therapists sought the

"just-right challenge" that would inspire each to take risks rather than remain housebound.

"Staying leathy is not just and eating right," or simply keeping busy, Clark said.

To Clark, occupational therapists can be like "personal trainers" for the "personal trainers" for the "infestlyle redesign" that takes into account their passions as well as limitations.

"Can they walk a block? Are their friends because of health issues?" she said.

Such considerations were incorporated into the Well Elderly Study, which looked at 361 residents of federally subsidized apartment buildings for low-income seniors in Los Angeles.

The subjects, ages 60 to 90

The subjects, ages 60 to 89, came from a broad mix of

backgrounds and included blacks, Hispanics, whites and Asiana. The first group received two forces are to three groups. The first group received two focupational therapy and an hour each month of individual therapy with personalized programs that were key to success, Clark said.

participated in more than two hours of organized social activities each week, while the other control group had no activities or programs.

Therapists identified activities that would give seniors "a sense of contribution and a sense of accomplishment" and help them confront the fears that can isolate them. In one group secsion, participants were colped to hop a bus to Long Beach, where they had to make

choices about shopping and sightseeing. At the end of nine months, the correction of the correction of

mental attitude and life satisfaction. When it came to physical health problems that limited health problems that limited health problems that limited health problems that limited health problems have an improvement of 1 percent, while the control groups declined by 13 percent, Clark said. "In the measure of vitality, the coccupational therapy) bercent, while the control groups declined by 2 percent," she said.

groups declined by 2 percent," she said. Dr. Gary Small, a psychiatry professor and director of the

University of California, L Angeles, Center on Aging, praised the study and its approach to aging.

"It's important to demonstrate that nonmedical interventions have an impact," Small said.

"It's particularly important for elderly people because of their sensitivity to side effects of medicine. The take-home message from this paper is that nonpharmacologic treatments can be effective and have profound imports on people's quality of life."

Among study sponsors were the National Institute on Aging, the National Center for Medical Rehabilitation Research and the American Occupational Therapy -Foundation Center at USC.

For some seniors, working is still way of life long after retirement age

Frank Lewis runs the gift shop inside the Kentucky Capitol. He closes each day at 3 p.m., then puts in an hour and a half on the visitor information desk. He works some weekends, helping to staff weddings and other special events at the content of the content o

He is 81. He also is part of a growing

age but aren't retired.

In the 1990 census, 466,816
Kentuckians were 65 or older.
About one in 10 vas still
working, for a variety of
reasons.

Some needed a job for
personal satisfaction. Some
needed regular contact with
other people. And in a 1995
sure center at the University
of Louisville, practically all
said they needed the money.

"You've got a lot of people who basically don't have a retirement income other than Social Security." Ron Crouch, director of the center, said of the center, said with the content of the center, said with the content of the center, said with the content of the center, said with the center of the center, said with the center of the cente

Lewis said he had only a meager pension when he retired from the Housing Authority of Frankfort in 1979. That by itself was enough to put him back in the job

You've got a lot of people who basically don't have a retirement income other than Social Security. Social Security is very difficult to live on ... It was never really set up to be a retirement income to cover all your expenses."

market.

But he also was perpetually active, having given decades of service to church and



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couldn't go home and sit diversible are living longer, but they may not be retiring longer, 'said Taylor Davidso an issues coordinator for the Ritterd Persons — AARP "A lot of people find retirement is not as fulfilling as they thought i'd be "Nor as financially secure.

Crouch said he expected the 65-and-up population to include a steadily increasing percentage of workers as people live longer and the adequacy of pensions becomes more suspect. "In 1950 the average retirement age was 89, and the average person lived rive years in retirement," Crouch

said.
"Now the average person is living 20 years in retirement, and we're heading toward a system where people could be living 30 and 40 years in retirement. Can we afford

that? That's a reality nobody wants to talk about."

As for pensions, the norm once was "defined benefit." A retiree got so much money per month for life. Today, about three-fourths of new pensions in the United States are called "defined contribution," Crouch

"When you retire, you get so much a month until the money

much a month until the mouey runs out."

Also, retirement often means an end to or increased cost of insurance for health and prescription medicine, plus the loss or slarp reduction of life.

"People in their 60s and 70s are going to find out their pension is not sufficient to live on. They're going to have to work part time. Crouch said.

"Great into that runs olderworker employment and training programs in 44 states for the 11 S. Department of

training programs in 44 states for the U.S. Department of Labor, says workers 55 and older were 12.2 percent of the

labor force in 1992. The Bureau of Labor Statistics expects them to be 14.2 percent of the labor force by 2005.

Associated Press

Few save enough to live on

Americans are growing more confident about their retirement, but that may be because they're refusing to face bad news about how big a

Americans are growing more confident about their retirement, but that may be because they're refusing to face bad news about how big a nest egg they need, says a survey whose sponsors include in the says of the

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Communication, respect key to stopping violence

School task force meeting hears comments

By Mary Shapiro Staff writer

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Staff writer
Communication and
respect between students,
staff and parents are key to
making schools safe, many
local young people say.
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at a public meeting.
Thursday of the Governor's
Task Force on School
Violence. The meeting was
as and way in Woods Mill
Road in Chesterfield.
It was the third of five
such meetings statewing.
The task force is to present
Med Carnahan by Oct. 1 on
possible solutions to school
violence.
About 75 people attended
the meeting Thursday. They
heard comments from

teachers, students, parents, counselors, law enforcement officials and school administrators, who discussed their experiences, concerns and recommendations regarding the threat of violence in

the threat or sachools.
Lynn Beckwith Jr.,
superintendent of the
University City School
District and a member of
the task force, said he was
impressed by the comments

impressed by the comments of students.
"Shared feelings and insights from the teen point of view have been very helpful to me and other task force members," Beckwith said.

said.
Jeremiah Yolkut, who
graduated recently from
University City High Schoo
said he found the district's
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other about problems before they are "inappropriately resolved through physical means."

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some youth ree some said.
"I feel the only people who can change the family are those within it," he said.
"People need to talk."

Area legislators determined to keep Scott AFB viable base

State budget has money for lobbying efforts

By Sanford J. Schmidt Staff writer

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Legislators said they are determined to keep Scott Air Force Base open after \$1.5 \text{million was set aside to fight \$1.5 \text{million was set aside to law set with \$1.5 \text{million was conference June \$3\$ at the main gate of Scott to announce that the recently passed sales that the recently passed sales to persuade Congress to keep Scott open.

budget has money set aside to persuade Congress to keep Scott open. The base is the largest The base is the largest and the seventh largest and the seventh largest employer in the St. Louis region, said James Pennekamp, president of the Leadership Council, an expension of the Leadership Council, and the set of the Leadership Council, and the said set of the Leadership Council, and the said set of the largest la

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civilian employees and 10,560
family members, state Rep.
Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville,
said.

Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville,
was well-spent, considering the
fact that there is no effort to
close bases. Pennekamp said
his sources tell him there may
closings in 2001 but that it may
take until 2005 before the
closings actually occur.

Scott, near Belleville, and
the Price Support Center in
Gomere bullet during the last
round in 1995.

"There is a drum beat out
there," Pennekamp said.

The subject of closing bases,
including Scott, arise each
your This is not a one-time
effort," said state Rep. Ron
Stephens, R-Troy.

Illinois almost lost Scott
because the state lacked the
locause the state lacked the
lederal legislators to keep

ving efforts

them open, Stephens said.
"It was close, I am told, because the state did not have people in the halls of Congress to share with our legislators the facts about what Scott means to the act of southwestern dillinois," Stephens said.

Other states have had vigorous lobbying efforts to stop base closings, officials said during the news commence and Community Affairs to fight the closings. Hoffman said details of the dillinois operation operation of the dillinois operation of the dillinois operation of the dillinois operation of the dillinois operation operation operation operation of the dillinois operation operation operation operation operation operation operation operation of the dillinois operation operation

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unnecessary institution-alization.
Twenty-two years later, the Twenty-two years later, the Twenty-two years later, the adults and children in seven counties the opportunity to live at home and a smooth transition into society.
"When we started, every child over the age of nine who had to a suit of the county-cesses of the county-cesses of the county-tion of th

Today the center houses 96 children in its day-school program and serves 20 adults through a demonstration project at Pasta Fare

project at Pasta Fare restaurant. Students in the day-school program are transported via school bus from their local district and are placed in the classroom after their needs have been assessed.

"Individual education plans are uniquely designed to meet each child's needs," Madison said.
"The students are placed in the classroom by their intellectual skills and age, but are never more than four years apart."

Classrooms are set up for small groups of five or six students with observation rooms for parents, nursegress. Emphasis is placed on developing independence, self control, spontaneity, applied academics, social skills and meaningful communication, The day school is only one program designed to help ICA clients, as officials at ICA believe that autistic adults can show improvement in their condition when the program to follow. In 1992, the center opened an Italian carry-out restaurant that employs autistic adults who work with job trainers to prepare and package food.

In addition to its day school

program and demonstration project, the center offers family support and transitional services to its clients.

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The ICA client and family support program offers services designed for several services designed for several services designed for several services such as assistance with as assistance with care, respite care, skill training in the home or service facilitation through the Department of Human Services.

The individual services are offered for students/clients age 14 and older. These services are designed to place individuals into actual work situations through the services are offered for students/clients age 14 and older. These services are designed to place individuals into actual work situations through each work situations through each work are to services of tasks under a job coach who is phased out as the individual becomes more independent and self-sufficient.

Madison said the teachers

Madison said the teachers and therapists at ICA love their jobs, and walking through the center, watching them work one on one with the

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students, it shows.
"I can't imagine not working here," she said.
"I love every day and look forward to coming to work."

Autism is a neurological impairment that has no known cause and is still awaiting a cure. It is characterized by a severe inability to communicate, uneven intellectual abilities and poor

intellectual abilities and poor social skills.

The ICA gives people with this disability the patience at TLC to help them function more independently in their community.

The center serves a

seven-county area in Southern Illinois and services are provided at no 885 or guardiate or guardiate for the services are made through local school districts, hospitals, regional special education centers and doctors.

The ICA recently learned that the school's North Central Association accreditation has been extended through the next school year, an indication that it is meeting performance standards.

private schools are being accredited.
"We feel very fortunate that they felt us worthy for accreditation as a private school," she said.

By Mary Staff w Many long-lost them th did.

Miller member Wildwoo who use June 5 t search to headsto

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Accreditation by the NCA ensures that the school is meeting the minimal conditions for effectiveness. "By setting standards for the basic operations of the school and by requiring continuous school improvements efforts, NCA requires each member to improve student performance and document that improvement," Madison said.

Surrogate, biological mothers may be listed on certificates

Unusual situation prompts Assembly to pass bill

By Steve Whitworth Staff writer

The case of a Metro East woman and her son prompted the Illinois Legislature to pass a bill that ensures biological mothers have their names on the birth certificates of their children born to surrogate

the Birth Certificates of under the birth form to surrotate The legislation sent to Illinois Gov. George Ryan last month is known as "Austin's Bill" in how you had been as "Austin's Bill" in how you had been as "Bill" in how he had been as "Bill" in his bill had been as "Below had been

birth mother as the baby's mother mother and Scott Miller were forced to obtain a court order allowing their names to appear on Austin's birth certificate. Now, they hope the legislation of their couples from going through similar experiences. "While our family's situation has aircady been resolved, I at things a little easier for the next family like ours," Vicki Miller said.

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In most cases in which a surrogate parent is involved In most cases in which a surrogate parent is involved, the baby is the product of the surrogate's egg. Legally, in those cases, the names of the surrogate moiner must be entered on the child's birth certificate. To carn custody of the child, the mother who could not give hir must.

In Austin's case, the baby was the product of both the father's segr. The surrogate moiner to both the mother's egg. The surrogate carry the child.

Despite that difference, and despite the fact that Jenny and Steven Miller supported having the birth certificate, Vicki Miller still was in the awkward situation of seeking custody for her own child.

"Seeking catody for Austin and the service as the surroy of the service as the surroy of the service of the

stutu own child.

"Seeking custody for Austin was almost as difficult as dealing with the infertility situation," she said. "We had to talk to half a dozen lawyers before we were finally able to resolve this for our family."

"Austin's Bill" deals specifically with cases

identical to the Miller family situation. The legislation is the miller family situation. The legislation of circumstances, allows the names of both the biological mother and the biological mother and the biological lather to the entered on the chill to be entered on the chill to the control of the contro

Madison said accreditation was originally only for public schools, but recently more





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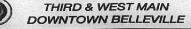
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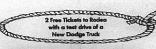


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eiko Off Many people search for long-lost relatives, but few find them the way Melissa Miller did

did.
Miller was among about 16 members of the 3-year-old Wildwood Historical Society who used shovels and stakes June 5 to probe underground in search of 19th century headstones in an area reputed to have been used for the Strecker/Wolff family

emetery. Miller, 31, of Ballwin

descended from pioneers
Joseph and Caroline Wolff,
after whom Wolff Lane in
Ellisville was named.
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Louisa married Reinhard Jr.,"
Miller said.

Miller said.

Reinhard's grandson Larry
Strecker, 69, of Affton, and
great-grandson Larry Strecker
Jr., 42, of Fulton, perused the
stone's caption, bearing
Strecker's name and "50, F,
Strecker's name and "60, F,
William of the street of the street of the
"My dad brought me here in
1963 and showed me about a
dozen tombstones in the
graveyard, which a forcet by
24 feet," Larry remembered,
adding the graves were likely
covered over after later land

Now that we know a cemetery is here, the city will try to put this area into common ground, so it can be fenced and maintained, especially since Strecker (Road) is set to be widened and some graves could be close to the street.

"In the last year alone, our society has located 84 private burial sites in the city, almost all in private ownership and in disrepair."

Mark Trout, member Wildwood Historical Society

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Seeking the exact location, society members searched the

telephone directory for Strecker descendants, finding Larry Strecker.
Miller — long researching genealogy — heard about that Saturday's hunt when Larry Strecker Jr. happened to locate her web page and e-mailed her.

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"Now that we know a cemetery is here, the city will common the common that the

widespread development, neglect and vandalism. The city's historical commission is proposing a historic preservation law to provide financial and other incentives to encourage voluntary preservation of buildings and cemeteries. A public hearing before the Planning and Zoning. Planning and Zoning the state of 7 p.m., June 21 at City Hall, 16962 Manchester Road.

The historical society is preparing a Wildwood calendar with historic photos as a fund-raiser. It should be available Aug. 1 and will cost \$8.

The group also plans to establish a membership program to fund future preservation efforts. For more information, call (314) 458-3306



Officers to begin booting vehicles

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Parking ticket deadbeats may find themselves going nowhere very soon. The St. Louis Board of Aldermen June 11 approved a Aldermen June 11 approved a book of the state of the

6 6 The threat of the boot will help us with the collection of parking tickets and fines."

Phyllis Young alderman

The metal boot device locks a wheel in place so the vehicle can't be moved by the owner. The action is an attempt to heighten enforcement efforts. The city had a fine backlog of

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\$8 million, which has been reduced somewhat thanks to a month-long grace period in May observe the second of the s

clear about 10 percent of the backlog.

"Now it's time to get tough on enforcement," Mayor Clarence Harmon said in a prepared statement.

Alderman Phyllis Young, D-7th Ward, sponsored the boot bill, which passed without the passed without the passed without the next two weeks.

"The threat of the boot will help us with the collection of parking tickets and fines," Young said.

This summer, the city will add two more enforcement officers in the treasurer's office, and police will use down times to pursue chronic offenders.

To make it easier for motorists to pay, enforcement officers will begin issuing self-matter to the control of the city is expected to take credit card payments starting in the fall.



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Road Report

Here is a list of current road construction projects going on in the St Louis metropolitan area along with lane closures and other information of inter-est to motorists and commut-

METRO EAST

1-270 at Chain of Rocks
Bridge (Mississippi River and
Canal Bridge) — Work has
resumed on the bridge to apply
the final layer of pavement
an the medians Motorists can
experience periodic, temporary
lane closures during non-rush
hours until early June

1-84 at the split at 1-55/70 to
1-255 in East St. Louis — IDOT
is working on a three-mic
1-84 from the split at 1-56/70 in
1-85 to surfacing and bridge
rehab work is taking place on
1-84 from the split at 1-56/70 in
East St. Louis to 1-255. Motorists can expect lane restrictions in each direction until
June 2000 Motorists can use
alternate routes such at 1-56
struction.

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1-70 from Branch Street to
Neverview Boulevard 1-70
Overview B

bound I-70 traffic to exit and re-enter the highway at all interchanges by passing through the construction area. Detour until late fall.

I-70 to Shr the Avenue — The project to replace five city bridges over I-70 has begun. Westbound I-70 is reduced to two lanes between Shreve and Riverview, and the rame of the short of the sh

ST. LOUIS COUNTY

1-44 north outer road (Frith
St. Art St. Creek (Rd.) at
Allenton Road (Eureka) — The
relocation of Frith St. and Fox
Creed Rd. and the widening of
Allenton Road is under way.
Motorists can expect lane cloevening hours only.
1-44 (road Allenton Road
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this area.

1-44 and 1-270 — The far right lane on northbound and southbound 127 out of the control of the cont

Route 100 (Manchester) from I-270 to Barrett Station Road — Lane closure from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays. Possible lane closures may also occur during non-rush hour periods on northbound and southbound 1:270 between the Clayton Road overpass at 41 at Manchester Road — A lane split is in place between Burgundy and Manchester Road and will be in place for several months in place for months for months

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First heat wave doesn't scare off customers

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in 1952, it did signal an early start to a typical St. Louis summer.

Temperatures this week, however, were expected to be the control of the

week, Mason treated a
34-year-old construction worker
who suffered a heart attack as
a result of the heat
a result of the heat
should drink 16 ounces of
water every hour, the doctor
said. They also should wear
loose, light colored, cotton
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hat.
"Water is really the best to drink because caffinated beverages can make it harder

to perspire." Mason said.
People who suffer from
asthma and other lung
diseases should be aware of
the dangers of increased ozone
associated with rises
failure and asthma attacks
increase approximately 15
percent during the summer
months, Mason said
this as the summer drags on,
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Earning their pins

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Building Committee cool to Bathon request

Madison County Buildings Committee members were cool to Treasurer Fred Bathon's request June 8 for what he termed minor adjustments that would make it easier to wait

would make it cooks on taxpayers. The committee took no action on two of the adjustments but approved the most simple project: moving a

glass pane from a teller window in the collections area of the office. Bathon wrote the committee asking for the adjustments after the committee asking for the adjustments after the committee of the committee o

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Bathon was elected in
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requested enlarging one of the
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Building Administrator Marty Siglock said he does not have the manpower to do the work by Wednesday. "Marty is snowed under with work," Krumeich said.



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Bill Brisson photo Jon Lyman Parkins (left), a teacher at Edwardsville High School, accepts an Excellence in Teaching Award at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville during a recent ceremony. He received a cash prize and a plaque as one of 12 outstanding teachers from elementary and secondary schools recognized at the annual SIUE program. Presenting the award is SIUE Chancellor David Werner.

BAC seniors program seeking volunteers

If you love computers and love sharing your knowledge with others. Belleville Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons wants you in its SeniorLink Program PSOP is looking for volunteers to teach Windows 95, Windows 98, MS Office, Quicken, Printshop or the Internet to senior citizens.

Instructors provide seniors with basic skills needed to perate computers and an inconduction to some software applications. The software senior week for six week sessions. Morning, afternoon and evening opportunities are available.

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"We have a special need for individuals who have

knowledge of the Internet due to the popularity of that class," said Doris Olah, SeniorLink computer lab assistant. 'Seniors are anxious superhighway." SeniorLink is a computer club for senior citizens. More than 20 classes a week, covering a variety of topac-are offered to senior citizens.

Benton Park cottage gets new lease on utopian life

By Clayton Berry
Staff writer

A 134-year-old cottage in
the Benton Park
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the rehab effort.

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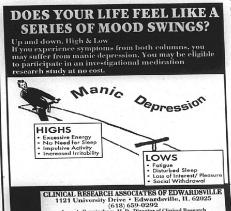
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Heart-y Bites
Ants really know
how to picnic

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Asian Ginger Steak takes sizzling flavor from a marinade of steak sa travor from a marinade of steak sauce ginger, soy sauce, gartie and sprinkle of red pepper. Marinades are seasoned liquid midutures that cover the surface of meat with flavor. To tenderize less tender steak, they contain an acidic ingredient. Always marinate food in a refrigerator.

Watch dad delight in meat that cannot hide its popularity

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A simple rub of garlic, rosemary, salt and pepper flavors strip steaks in Steak al Forno. They are grilled until done as desired, then a thin layer of parmesan cheese is melted on top.

By Janice Denham Staff writer

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Steak will be as popular as dad Sunday. On summer holidays like Father's Day and the Fourth of July. Holidays like Father's Day and the Fourth of July. Holidays like Father's Day and the Fourth of July. Holidays like Father's Day and the Fourth of July. Holidays like July and the Fourth of July. Holidays like July and the Fourth of July and the Father Steakhouse where the Father interessed in casual steakhouses 80 percent," she says.

Another sign of interest in this cut of meat is the emergence of "chop houses," which she called a variation of a steakhouse where the father steakhouse with steakhouse the father steakhouse where the father steakhouse steakhouse the father steakhouse steakhouse the father steakhouse the father steakhouse steakhouse the father steakhouse steakhouse. The challenge of cooking a high-quality steak at home, he says, is not difficult. The tincker the cut, the better range of temperature the meat tolerates with good results.

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Wise Ways

Dad tells what he wants to do – relax – and how he wants to eat – like a guy – on Father's Day.

Blue Ribbon Cook

Chips and nuts fill Yummy Bars with sweetness. INSIDE

Test Run

Feel like eating Italian tonight? Options abound for tortellini at home.

Micro Raves

Ribs race to the grill with easy-going tenderizing.

Lively Taste

Leftover baked potatoes perform deliciously the next day. Halve 2 medium potatoes lengthwise and scoop out the potato bulp, leaving with sour cream, sliced green onlion and shredded sharp cheddar cheese If watching weight and health, use nonfat sour cream and small amount and sharp cheddar cheese for the state of the source of the state of t



Medicine Chest

Psoriasis plagues sufferers with a scaly skin condition.

Fresh Picks

For those who dream of mermaids, Seaphire, a unique vegetable trrigated with seawater, is available in some Dierbergs and Straub stores and a few local markets, Melissa's distributes the new crunchy food, cultivated along the desert coasts of the Sea of Cortez, in 4-ounce packages, Because seawater is senvironment, it is very salty, as stir-fry, soup, salad, guacamole or other dip Irs small, finger-like tips resemble tiny asparagus plants, so in its native state in Europe it is called samphire, sea asparagus or salicornes.

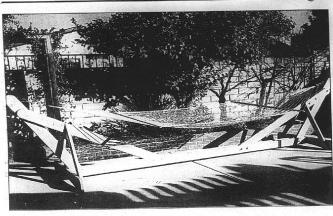
Big Fat Tip

When vending machine options loop from fatty chips to cheesy sandwiches, of trest truit or a container of grapes can be a daily option. Some fruits, like oranges and bananas, keep in a cool desk or locker several days. Raisins and other dried fruits keep for extended periods, although mindless munching racks up calories concentrated in the fruit hart the at is leathly, so a handful provides fiber, vitamin E and other nutrients with staying power. Small bags of whole-grain cereals, low-fat whole-grain crackers and pretzels are tasty options, too.

Future Shop

Getting ready to camp the first time in the season exercises the memory. Although new flashlights may be available at campsites, no one want to buy one when there are two back home, the control of the





Best part of summer is snoozin' in the shade

A good book, a tall glass of lemonade and the gentle swaying motion of a shady hammock on the patio, next to the pool or in the yard sounds like paradise. It is time to think seriously about his dyling picture, nonthat sums to the sum of the

Construction is simply Construction is simply a matter of measuring, cutting out pieces and assembling them with carriage bolts and lag bolts. Once the frame is put together, apply the finish of choice, add a hammock and roles.

and relax.

Designed to fit a standard-size hammock sling, the completed project measures 16 feet long by 4

measures 16 feet long by 4 feet wide.

The Hammock Frame plan, No. 868, costs \$8.95. It includes step-by-step directions with 11 photos, detailed construction diagrams, a shopping list and cutting schedule, and mail-order source for a hammock and hanging kit.

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Work diligently on food ants, low-fat eaters enjoy

Once summer hits, an ant's daily mission is work, work, work.
Some days I feel just like this dedicated little trooper, marching along to never-ending cadence. Other days the antwork endlessing the antwork endlessiy day after day?
That's easy to answer. His life is a picnic.

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That's easy to answer. His life is a picnic.
Finding a picnic in a jungle of deadlines, appointments and daily routine is as easy as stepping out the door. Move away from the daily drill. Breath the fresh to review. Whether it is lounging in the shady grass, perching on a bench or loopping down on well-serving steps, any place becomes grounds for a picnic.
Ants seem to eat anything on their picnic. So can people — in moderation and as part of an overall eating plan that emphasizes eating lean and with variety from sources close to the earth. People make the most of fruits, vegetables and whole grains.

It is not necessary to plan a picnic with homemade fare. On a spontaneous excursion, portable edibles that fit hito a healthy eating plan are easy to through line, hop or store for creative mixed vegetables, salads, grain medleys, stacked low-fat sandwiches, sush, pre-made spinach lasagna or deli soups. Of course, there are always quick options like a bagel and low-fat yogurt coupled with a handful of fresh cherries, an orange or a

Have fun with finger foods. Dip clean, crisp veggies in low-fat dressing, spear fruit chunks on toothpicks and twil in yogurt with cinnamon and honey added, or fill a pita pocket with fresh hummus or a spicy vegetable relish.

Be prepared with lots of napkins and stay as tidy as possible. If word gets out about the quality of the picnic, ants will consider it an invitation. This childe to work, in each of the picnic, ants will consider it an invitation. This childe to work, in each of the picnic occasion arises. Register dietitian Libby Mills is a men and the picnic occasion with a more considered of the nutrition committee of the American Heart Association, Greater St. Louis Division.

CHILLED ASPARAGUS WITH LEMONY GARLIC DRESSING

2 tbsp. nonfat or low-fat sour cream 1 tbsp. low-fat buttermilk or skim milk 1 clove garlic, minced 1 tsp. grated lemon zest 24 fresh asparagus spears, woody bases snapped off and discarded Poppy seeds, if desired

In small bowl, stir together sour cream, buttermilk, garlic and lemon zest. Cover. Chill until serving time. In large saucepan or skillet, cook asparagus in boiling water 5 minutes or until tender-crisp. Drain. Rinse with cold water. Drain again. Cover. Chill until serving time.

water. Dram again. Cover. Child has serving time.

To serve, gently toss asparagus spears with dressing. Sprinkle lightly with poppy seeds.

Makes 4 servings; 32 calories, 3 g protein, 5 g carbohydrate, no cholesterol or fat and 14 mg sodium each.

Steak

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sake, he suggests moving the meat from the refrigerator to room temperature 1 hour before grilling.

Neill suggesting may be a suggesting of the suggesting of the searing it over very high heat. Letting it rest 10 to 15 minutes before serving continues to enhance its texture.

He serves steak with a demi-glace, made by roasting veal bones, then cooking with vegetables overnight. After straining the mixture, it is cooked down with red wine.

Dan Badock of Soulard's Restaurant suggests home cooks use resources from the market to secure the best steaks. The more mabling, the more tender the steak should be steak should be steak should be with the steak should be with the steak should be steak as the steak should should should should should should should should should should

from Soulard's cookbook. The book is available for \$10 at the restaurant or by sending \$13 with name and address to: Soulard's Cookbook, 1731 S. 7th St., St. Louis, Mo. 63104.

Steak al Forno is an easy version of an entree served at a writers con-

STEAK AL FORNO

1/4 cup minced garlic
1/4 cup chopped fresh
rosemary leaves
2 tbsp. salt
1 tsp. pepper
6 boneless beef loin
strip steaks, 1 inch
thick
1-1/2 co. parmesan
cheese, very thinly
alter chopped fresh

sliced 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

Mix garlic, rosemary, salt and pepper until well blended. Spread both sides of the steaks with

sides of the steaks with garlic mixture. Place in flat pan. Refrigerate, covered, at least 1 hour. Grill steaks to desired doneness. Top each with 2 slices cheese. Broil until bubbly and golden brown. Garnish with parsley. Serve immediately. Makes 6 servings.

ference sponsored by the St. Louis District Dairy Council and the American Dairy Association of Illi-nois. The recipe comes from the Missouri Beef Industry Council.

ASIAN GINGER STEAKS

4 beef chuck eye steaks (about 6 oz. each), 1 inch thick 1/2 cup sweet and tangy steak sauce 1 tbsp. chopped ginger root

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root
1 tosp. soy sauce
2 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 to 1/2 tsp. crushed
red pepper

red pepper

In small bowl, combine steak sauce, ginger, soy sauce, garlic and red pepper. In resealable plastic bag, turn steaks in marinade to coat them. Close bag securely. Marinate in refrigerator 1 hour.

Discard marinade. Grill steaks on grid over medium ash-covered coals, turning occasionally, 14 to 18 minutes for medium-rare to medium doneness.

Makes 4 servings.

Recipe can be doubled.

NEW YORK STRIP STEAK WITH VIDALIA ONION SAUCE

4 (12 oz. each) New York beef strip steaks
1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter
3 medium Vidalia onions, peeled, sliced
3 thep. light brown sugar
1/2 tsp. seasoning salt
1/2 tsp. white pepper
1/2 tsp. basil
1/2 cup beef broth
1/2 cup beordeaux wine
1/4 cup (40 percent) heavy cream

In skillet over medium heat, saute onion in butter until soft. Add brown sugar, salt, pepper and basil. Stir until combined. Add beef broth and red wine. Over medium heat, cook 15 to 20 minutes to reduce sauce. Just before serving, stir in cream and let mixture thicken over low heat. Simmer about 3 minutes longer, stirring occasionally.

Season steaks. Grill to desired doneness.

Place steak on individual dinner plates. Ladle sauce over them.

over them. Makes 4 servings.

Anyone can take ribbing this season with oven-quick pork

By Sandra Hounsom Correspondent

This is the season when pork — for a long time advertised as "the other white meat" — is the first choice on many menus.

Pork

MICRO-RAVES ranges from the

goodness of hickory-fla-vored ham to the delicate flavor of roast pork. The quality of fresh pork can be measured by the fat and the color of the

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High-quality fresh pork has an edge covered with a firm 1/2-inch layer of fat. Meat from young animals is grayish-pink. As animals mature, it turns to pale rose. The meat's fat is always fine-grained in its firm marbling.

All cuts of pork are tender, so dry heat methods of cooking often are used. It's important to cook pork thoroughly so it shows no pink after cooking, although it need not be cooked far beyond that or it becomes the deal of the cooked far beyond that or it becomes the cooking at the cooked far beyond that or it becomes tender on a grill.

Dry grilled ribs tend to be more chewy than braised ribs. This is where the microwave comes in, both to save time and help keep ribs from drying out

on the grill.

Cut 2-1/2 to 3 pounds of riss in pieces with two or them in a glass baking dish with the meaty portion to the outside of pan, slightly overlapping the thin ends. Pour in 1 cup water and tightly cover with plastic wrap.

Microwave on high produce power 5 minutes, then reduce power to medium (50 percent) and continue microwaving 15 minutes. Carefully remove the plastic wrap and turn over the ribs, rearranging so the least cooked portions are exposed and more cooked parts overlap. Cover again.

Microwave on medium 15 minutes longer until they are fork-tender.

At this point, finish cooking the ribs on an outdoor grill. If there is a sudden thunderstorm or the propane tank on the gas grill is empty, drain the liquid from the pan and pour on a favorite sauce to linish heating in the microwave.

finish heating in the microwave.

This sauce, a flavorful treat on pork, can be used on ribs when they run into inclement weather or the party goes on uninterrupted outdoors.

Home economist Sandr.

Home economist Sandra Hounsom specializes microwave cooking.

HOMEMADE BARBECUE SAUCE WITH HERBS

2 whole cloves
1 medium onion, chopped
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. oregano
1 tsp. oregano
1 tsp. resemary
1 tsp. tsp. tsp. thyme
1 cup dry red wine
1/3 cup ketchup
1 tbsp. soy sauce
1/4 tsp. ginger
2 tbsp. honey
1 clove garlic, minced

In small microwave-safe bowl, combine cloves, onion, salt, oregano, marjoram, rosemary, wine, ketchup, soy sauce, ginger, honey and garlic. Microwave on high power I minute.

Brush sauce over ribs. Microwave on high power 4 to 8 minutes.

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Today's Food

Yummy Bars win with sweetness

Linda Pacino, Mehlville, is this week's winner of dinner certificates to the Pasta House Co. for Yummy Bars.

Yummy Bars.

BLUE RIBBON are good for a potluck because the chocolate is contained in a brown sugar batter. Even at outdoor temperatures, the bars stay in one piece. A full tin of Yummy Bars taken to a party will come home empty.

Recipes for dip keep this month's contest on course. A single recipe from a single household should be postmarked by June 30 and sent to: Dips Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St.

Louis 63131. It also can be e-mailed to

e-mailed to westnews@primary.net. Be surface to include your name and defress.

Each Wednesday in June a winner will be chosen on the basis of taste and eye appeal, as well as originality.

YUMMY BARS

2½ cups flour 2½ tsp. baking powder 1 tsp. salt ½ cup (1 stick) butter or margarine at room temperature 1½ cups firmly packed brown sugar

eggs
tsp. vanilla
2 oz. semisweet chocolate,
chopped, or 1 pkg. (12
oz.) chocolate chips
cup chopped nuts of
choice

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease 13-by-9-inch baking

Grease 13-by-9-inch baking pan.
Sift together flour, baking powder and salt.
Using wooden spoon, cream together butter and brown sugar. Add eggs and vanilla. Stir until well combined. Gradually add flour mixture. Stir in chocolate and nuts.
Press mixture evenly into prepared pan, using butter wrapper. Bake in preheated oven about 30 min.

Food tip

ANYTHING GOES IN SALADS

Salads can be as colorful and flavorful as desired by adding a medley of vegetables, like carrots, mushrooms, tomatoes, and

a variety of cheeses from American and blue to parmesan. The essentials are fresh greens and tasty salad dressings.

For extra tips on how to match salad greens and vinaigrettes in "Sensational Salads," check out the web site: www.wish-bone.com.

To obtain a copy, write to: Wish-Bone, P.O. Box 1066, Grand Rapids, Minn. 55745-1066.

SLOW-COOKED CHICKEN IN SAUCE

Place 1 onion, sliced; 1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms, and 1 clove garlic, minced, in slow cooker. Top with 6 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves.

Combine 1 can (14.5 ounces) stewed tomatoes seasoned with basil, garliand oregano with 1 cup roasted red peppers, drained. Pour over thicken. Cook, covered, on low 6 to 8 hours.

Makes 6 servings; 168 calories, 8 g protein, 2 g fat and 9 g carbohydrate each

Scaly psoriasis is hard to control, but not contagious

By Rebecca Coley Correspondent

Psoriasis (sore-EYE-uh-sis) is primarily a skin condition where patches on the skin are dry and scaly. It can occur anywhere on the MEDICINE CHEST where the same can have it, most psoriasis sufferers are diagnosed before the age of 30.

Psoriasis is a misunderstood condition. Sufferers sometimes are shunned, because the inflamed area often is mistaken for exposure to poison ivy or something contagious.

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In fact, psoriasis is not contagious at all. No one ever has developed psoriasis from either casual another per la contagious at all the casual another per seasy to treat. Psorbasis cannot be cured, but therapies can help alleviate the dry scaly skin, the pain and improve appearance of the skin. The true cause is unknown but scientists believe the immune system is affected. Topical therapies can be rubbed on the skin. Oral medications also are available. A small percentage of patients also

have a form of arthritis, so experience difficulty with walking, standing, sitting and sleeping. Psoriasis also takes a heavy emotional toll, because of social implications. Ten percent of suffers have depression. More than 6 million people in the U.S. have psoriasis, so it is fairly common. Even though there is no cure, it is possible to minimize attacks.

Thirty six centers in the U.S. are devoted primarily to the medical treatment of psoriasis. Talk to a doctor about new treatments.

For more information, call the National Psoriasis Foundation at toll-free

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wines from 15 countries and 20 states.
St. James Winery won three double gold medals, the most double golds in the competition, along with 3 gold ratings. Stone Hill Winery was awarded one double gold along with single gold rankings.
A double gold is given to a wine that receives a unanimous gold medal from

two separate panels of three judges each, which means six of nine judges must give it the highest ranking.

The St. James Winery

The St. James Winery awardees were a 1994 Norton, Velvet Red and 1998 School House Red. Stone Hill's double gold went to a 1995 Brut. Adam Puchta Winery won two gold medals and Hermannhof garnered one gold in the prestigious competition. Only 52 wines merited double gold medals this year.

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Today's Food

Dad gives advice on ways to woo him on Father's Day boat with tri-color melon balls is lost on this guy. A chunk of watermelon and a knife works just fine, thank

knife works just fine, thank you.

If napkins are misplaced, it sounds like a garden hose is satisfactory.

• Sturdy man-size utensils are a must.

Registered dietitian Cynthia Fauser is nutrition specialist with University Extension (University of Missouri system) in St. Louis County.

CRUNCHY SLAW

1 bag (1 lb.) shredded cabbage
2 small Vidalia onion, chopped
3 small green bell pepper, chopped
4 pkg. ramen noodles, seasoning packet discarded
1 cup sliced almonds
1 cup salted, roasted sunflower seeds
53 cup vinegar
52 cup oil
52 cup sugar
Mix together cabbage

Mix together cabbage, onion and bell pepper. Crunch up noodles. Add noodles, almonds and sunflower seeds to slaw. Mix oil, vinegar and sugar. Toss with cabbage mixture.

Mix oil, vinegar and sugar. Toss with cabbage mixture. Salad can be served immediately or refrigerated a few hours before servings. 296 calories, 6 g protein, 20 fa cabolydrade of the cabbage of the ca

By Cynthia Fauser Correspondent

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Father's day is the
ultimate low-key
celebration for a guy. It's a
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Horseshoes and hammocks,
ballgames and barbecues:
This is Father's Day.

This is Father's Day.

My husband, Colonel "the Grump" Dad, swears he speaks for all men about what dads like on their day. Some of his observations were edited, but what remains holds much truth.

Plan good basic chow. Forget the finger sandwiches and think twice about gelatin salads that melt all over the rest of the food. I interpret "good basic chow" as anything that goes with beer. Even guys who do not drink beer like the food that goes with beer.

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like the food that goes with beer.

That means pork steaks or anything barbeeuxed. Noticing the bandwiches, said, deviled eggs. Dads allow for healthier side dishes only after the basics are provided.

No fancy presentation is required. This is a day when guys, according to Colonel Dad, enjoy release from the constraints of formal dining. Coordinated napkins and tableclothated and the constraints of the

good basic chow."
A carved watermelon

Pasta pads any dinner

All things Italian are an asset when they come from the kitchen. Tortellini definitely is posted on that side of the ledger, according to testers of various pasta products.

various pasta products.

TEST RUN

A plethora of pasta beckons, but the little stuffed pockets of dough have become a popular item, not just in their dry form, but also among refrigerated pasta items that are ready to cook in a few minutes at home. The limit filled with parmesan cheese from Davinci (8 ounces for \$2.95). Pasta Romi's tortellini dinner with four cheese sauce (\$2.09). DiGiorno lemon chicken tortelloni in cracked black pepper pasta (\$3.89), and Mallard's pepper, spinach and cheese tortellini \$3.00 million of the period of the control of the period of the control of the co

red sauce.

A tester looked forward to trying the DiGiorno tortellini because his family likes the same brand of pizza. They liked the midness of the DiGiorno product.

"It was an easy, quick meal that everyone seemed to enjoy. The lemon flavor was present but far from overpowering, which probably accounts for why my kids liked it so much, he said.

LIGHT MUSHROOM SOUP

In large saucepan, heat 4 cups chicken broth, 1 pound mushrooms (halved), 1 medium onion (cut in eighths), ¼ teaspoon salt

and pinch of pepper to boiling. Reduce heat. Simmer, covered, 20 minutes. In blender or food processor, process mixture, half at a time, until almost smooth. In large saucepan, beat

egg yolk. Stir in milk. Gradually add mushroom mixture, stirring constantly. Simmer gently 5 minutes; do not boil. Garnish with snipped parsley.

parsley. Makes seven (1-cup)

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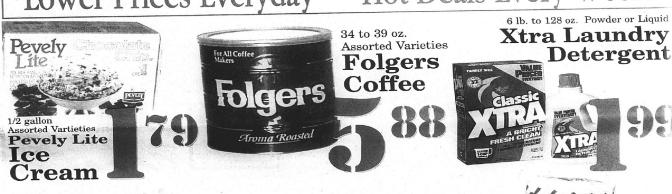


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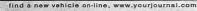




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Convertible is warm-weather treat

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The Sebring in question is Chrysler's four-passenger ragtop
that now accounts for about one of three convertibles sold. It
replaced the LeBaron in 1996, and since then it has proved to be
extremely popular with open-air drivers. Valle mechanically
similar to the Sebring coup-, and built on the same front-wheel-

drive, 106-inch wheelbase platform as the Dodge Stratus/Chrysler Cirrus, the convertible has its own unique body. There are three models: the JX, JX iand fully equipped Limited. The JX has a 150-horsepower, four-cylinder engine, while the others use a 188-horsepower, 2-5-liter Vos. For 1989, DaimlerChrysler says model choices and options have been simplified to provide better value. Changes include the addition of low-power air bags, the winged Chrysler badge and new colors.

Our JXi test car had the V-6, anti-lock brakes and the very attractive 16-inch alloy wheels. These larger wheels and bigger tires not only look better but improve steering response and agility. The Sebring is not a sports car, but it does have a certain flair that makes it fun.

The V-6 engine and automatic transmission are clearly the best choice. Chrysler's AutoStick, which can be shifted manually. Traction control is standard on the Limited but not available on the other two models.

Probably the best thing about the Sebring, saide from the there were than the probably the best thing about the Sebring, saide from the these with which the top can be raised or lowered, is its ability to the same that the same takes a said to said the same that the

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By Rick Stoff

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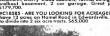




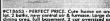














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Attractive SBF, 28, 57°, 140 lbs, mother of two, seeking attrac-tive SBM, 25-40, who enjoys draing out, movies and having fun-Attractive BF, 40s, looking for a nice, energetic BM, 38-50, for weeks in the cash dating possible LTR, Kids ok. 17:15652 Attractive DWF, S3, 57°, nice build, enjoys denoing, diring, more ISO SM, 50-60 for LTR, Ameld, South County and Binos sed #1620. Attractive DWF, 36, full-figured honest caring fun loving, been sheltered, now mady for exploration. Seeking SWM, 30-60, thendarry first, possible LTR 9 (6275) Attractive SWF, 45, n/s. no children, ISO outdoorsman, 40-50, interests are carroing horses, animals, felling, country life Officing and W10041

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DWF, 23,5'4", 128 lbs. autumblue, ISO SWM, 23-78, smoker, who toyet cudding, dancing, social drinking, kids. If 1532 DWF, 35, leving, caring, ties dining, dancing, having a good time, mother of 14-year-old. Seeking SM, 35-43 Jefferson County, **I (1636)

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urwy out, moves. Mnos. ~10005 DWF, nature lover, 57, 541, 125 lbs. seeks Gendeman to spen quality time outdoors. © 18157 DWF, young 42, honest, love to laugh and have fun, seeking relationship with honest, caring Man, 35-50, for friendship, pos-sible LTR. \$1,560. DWHF, 48, romantic, affectionate, tut-figured, long black hair, brown eyes, ISO LTR with honest loving Man for partipering, settline correspondently. If 46195. outding, companionship. ** 15125 OWPF, 40, 5'6", mother of one, brownhazel, big heart, kind, sflectionate, loyal, seeking ScDWPM, 35-50, honest and roman-Dynamic SWPF, 46, dark blonde/blue, 55° honest, bright bheeful, warm, with, responsible, no dependents, 16 slightly full players, best sports, movies, stimulating conversation, 150 slightly full sports, and the sports of the stimulating conversation, 150 300 Services only 19 (501).

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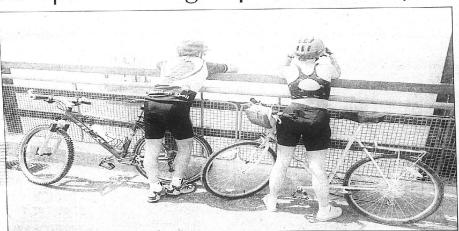
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As part of the recent grand re-opening weekend for the Old Chain of Rocks Bridge, the annual St. Louis Earth Day Community Festival was moved to the site. More than 20,000 people came out to walk bike or skate across the bridge, which is undergoing a \$4 million renovation by Trailnet Inc. to be the longest pedestrian/bicycle trail in the world.

Old Chain becomes new link

Re-opens as longest pedestrian/bicycle bridge in the world





Clockwise from top left, Gene and Jennifer Peters of Edwardsville take in the view of the Mississippi River to the South of the bridge; Belly dancers Samira and Penny of Belly Dance Mirage entertain on the bridge; Gene Austin, 11, of Florissant, Mo., looks over a bull snake at a stand manned by members of the St. Louis Herpetological Society; Members of the Klassy Kickers lead the parade from the Missouri side of the bridge during opening ceremonies; Before the official opening of the bridge, trucks and vans carrying merchandise and supplies for the stands created traffic jams on the bridge.







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If the agent does all the talking, he or she probably is not a listener. Listening is an

Three: Product knowledge

Whether you are a buyer or a seller, it is imperative you select an agent who knows the market.

The real estate field is not for amateurs. It is highly changes daily echinical and changes daily echinical and changes daily expensed and trimed to the many facets which affect the market. Some of these include economics, market conditions, and trends

China, silver and crystal aside, what do bridal couples really want? Can be read in the rise of bridal registries to the read in the rise of bridal registries over the pretentious. Nothing it seems, is too plebeint or qualify as a bridal gift. "Friends of ours threw and so distorted the read of the read o

whose subject is budget weddings. Popular selections of an equally humble but more customary nature from Target Stores' Club Wedd registry

both locally and nationally

Four: Commission cutter

Be leery of an agent who is quick to cut his or her commission to get a listing. An agent who cannot defend the commission certainly will not be able to defend the price of your house when negotiating a contract.

Think about it.

Five:Special skills

Look for an agent who can think creatively. Ask what the agent's toughest transaction was and how it was handled. You gain a lot of insight into a person's negotiating skills this way, and you may need them.

Six: Track record

Does the agent have a proven record of success? What does he or she consider strong points? Of what is the agent most proud career-wise? These things are far more telling than a list of referrals. No thinking person uses as a referral the name of someone who does not think that person walks on a strong that the person walks on a strong that come from your friends and neighbors. Ask them for recommendations.

Seven: Honesty

Pick an agent who will tell you like it is, not as you would like to hear it. For instance, an agent who tells you it is OK to list your house at a higher just to get your listing is not acting on your best behalf or even being truthful.

Or an agent who shows a buyer houses he can not afford is not being truthful, either.

Eight: Designations

Is the agent you are considering a Realtor? All real estate agents are not Realtors. A Realtor is a member of the

include crockpots, bath towels, table linens and muffin tins. Discount stores such as Target are among recent entrants into the bridal started in the 1900s and 1940s when the fine china, silver and crystal departments monopolized the selections. Since then, the types of products available housewares and — in the 1900s — luxury items such as luggageand antiques.

— luxury items such as luggageand antiques. The current rise of down-to-earth selections is tied to the homespun values of the present. — Associated Press

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Nine: Compatibility

Look for an agent whose personality is compatible with yours. You too will be doing some major bonding. Even if the agent is the guru of the real estate field, if your

personalities clash, the whole buying or selling experience will be a nightmare.

Ten: Sense of humor

Buying or selling real estate is a highly emotional experience. It is also serious

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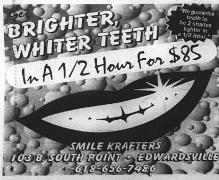
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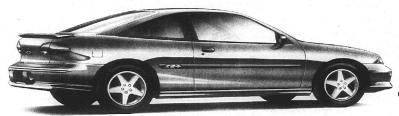
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